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Head Quarters,)

Wheeler's Cavalry Corps,)

March 11th, 1863

GENERAL ORDER, No. 4

I. Hereafter five (5) Roll calls shall be held each day, whether in Camps or on the march.

III. Any enlisted man absent from three consecutive Roll calls, without written permission from his Brigade commander or other competent authority, will be considered a deserter.

II. Any enlisted man, found one mile from camp, without written permission from his Brigade commander or other competent authority, will be considered a deserter.

IV. Any enlisted man on detached duty, who shall fail to report back to his Regiment, after completing said duty, will, at the expiration of three Roll calls from the time he should have so reported, be considered a deserter.

V. Regimental commanders will cause a book to be kept, in which shall be entered every detail from their Regiment. On the return of said details the strictest enquiry will be made, to see that there has been no unnecessary delay in rejoining their commands.

VI. All men, who by the provisions of this order are considered deserters will be arrested. Company commanders will immediately prefer written charges in proper form against these men for desertion, and forward them, without delay, through the proper channels to these head quarters.

VII. Any officer of any grade whatever, who absents himself from his command, for three Roll calls in one day, without leave, will be arrested by his immediate commander, who will send written charges against him, through the proper channels to these Head quarters.

VIII. Company commanders will certify every Sunday morning in writing, to the Regimental commander, that all the provisions of this order have been complied with in their companies.

IX. Every Monday morning, Regimental commanders will make like certificates to Brigade commanders, regarding their regiments, and also certify that all their company commanders have made the certificates required by this order. In case any company commander fails to send in the certificate as above required, his Regimental commander will, with his certificate, forward to these Head Quarters, the name of such delinquent, together with the reasons for such failure.

X. Brigade commanders will every Wednesday morning, forward these certificates, through their Division commanders to these Head Quarters. In case any Regimental commander fails to make said certificates, they will forward the reasons for the failure.

By order of

W. H. WHEELER, W.M.A.C.

Brigadier General

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